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SECOND HALT IN GERMAN STRUGGLE

INFANTRY AGAIN QUIET, ARTILLERY CONTINUES

A Second Lull Comes Today in the Great Struggle of the Germans to Take Verdun—The Infantrymen Are Resting Upon Their Arms, But a Heavy Artillery Fire is Kept Up—The French Are Holding Their Own—German Thrusts Against Other Points of the French Lines Are Expected—Germany Reports the Sinking of Two French Cruisers But Same is Denied By Paris—British Steamer Giava Torpedoed and Sunk.

London, March 4.—After intense infantry fighting the past two days at Verdun, there has come a second halt in the struggle of the Germans. However, they continue a heavy bombardment in all sections.

At Eparges, according to Paris, the French prevented the Germans from occupying the crater made by the explosion of their mines.

The Germans made other advances on both French flanks, and indications are furnished of contemplated thrusts on vital points in the lines about the curving front.

Two French Cruisers Sunk.

Berlin, March 4.—The sinking of two French auxiliary cruisers and one British patrol boat by German submarines was announced by the admiralty.

It is unknown whether one of the cruisers referred to is the Provence, which last night's official reports said was sunk with the loss of 3,130 men. Paris said no submarine was seen by the Provence survivors.

Paris Makes Denial.

Paris, March 4.—The Temps says the Berlin admiralty's claims that two French cruisers have been sunk is false.

Paris is Satisfied.

Paris, March 4.—General Gallieni, minister of war, told the chamber of deputies that he was satisfied with the Verdun situation. He gave details of the reserves in men and stocks of ammunition available.

Killed in Explosion.

Paris, France, March 4.—Twenty were killed and a large number injured in an explosion today near St. Denis, a suburb.

British Steamer Sunk.

London, March 4.—The steamer Giava, leaving here on Feb. 29, has been sunk by an Austrian submarine. No Americans were aboard.

DAVID R. FRANCIS TO BE AMBASSADOR

His Name to Be Sent to Senate Monday and Will Be Acceptable to Russia.

Washington, March 4.—The nomination of David R. Francis, former governor of Missouri, to be ambassador to Russia will be sent to the senate Monday. Word received from Petrograd says Mr. Francis is acceptable to Russia to succeed S. E. George T. Marye, resigned.

TWO ARE KILLED EIGHT INJURED

Passenger Train Goes Through a Bridge, Killing Two and Injuring Eight.

Watertown, S. D., March 4.—Two passengers were killed and eight were injured, three seriously, when a passenger train on the South Dakota Central plunged sixty feet through a bridge near here today. Weakening of the bridge by fire is believed to have caused the accident.



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THE FIGHT STILL WAGES VERY WARM

House Postponed McLemore Resolution Until Monday, When Fight Will Be Renewed.

Washington, March 4.—The house today postponed action on the McLemore warning resolution until Monday, on account of the great number of absentees, who are spending the week-end away from Washington. The administration leaders are preparing a rule to dispose of the resolution by an overwhelming majority and end President Wilson's fight to dispose of the armed ship agitation.

Majority Leader Kitchin notified congressmen they would not be needed to vote until Tuesday at the earliest. William Jennings Bryan came to town today to fulfill a lecture engagement. The administration leader speculated widely over whether his coming had anything to do with the delay on voting in the house and the decision of leaders to postpone action to Tuesday.

BARGE IS WRECKED FIVE MEN DEAD

Scituate, Mass., March 4.—Two light coal barges were wrecked off Cape Cod, breaking adrift from a tug. Five men were lost, while five washed ashore. The barge encountered a heavy gale, causing the wreck.

FIRE ALARM YESTERDAY.

The fire department was called out yesterday afternoon a few minutes before 5 o'clock to the residence of Mrs. O. H. Astin, but the fire was under control before they reached the scene. Painters were at work on the house removing the old paint by burning.

On the northwest corner where they were at work a hole was burned in the weather boarding, and the house being lined with wool and builders' paper, the blaze soon spread between the outside and inside, and had not the painters turned on the hose from the yard hydrant a disastrous fire might have occurred. The damage was only slight.

OKLAHOMA ROBBERS MAKE RICH HAUL

Blow Safe at Mounds, Ok., and Escape With \$7,000 in Cash.

Tulsa, Ok., March 4.—Robbers blew the safe and wrecked the bank at Mounds, Ok., early this morning, escaping with \$7,000 in currency. Twelve charges of nitro-glycerine were used to force the safe, according to persons awakened by the explosion.

SWEEDISH CITIZENS RECEIVE WARNING

Stockholm, Sweden, March 4.—The foreign office informs the Associated Press that warnings against embarking on armed merchantmen has been issued to all Swedish citizens.

GERMANY SENDS ADDITION TO NOTE

Washington, March 4.—Secretary of State Lansing said today appendices to the German memorandum regarding armed merchant ships were now on board the steamer Rotterdam, due tomorrow in New York.

DEBATE AT TABOR.

The Eagle is requested to announce that on Friday night, March 10, there will be declamation contest and debate at Tabor High School, and the public is invited. Judge W. C. Davis and County Superintendent E. R. Williams will be present and speak.

Very few of the Republicans jumped upon the elastic frame of Mr. Taft because he did not rush into a war with Mexico.—Chicago News.

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NEW SENATE BILL ON PREPAREDNESS

Most Thorough Military Measure Ever Presented in Time of Peace.

Washington, March 4.—A senate army bill was introduced by Chairman Chamberlain of the military committee today. It proposes the most thorough measures on military preparedness ever presented in congress in peace times and is the first national defense bill urged by President Wilson to be completed and introduced.

LIEUT. R. B. ADAMS DROPPED FROM ROLL

Washington, March 4.—President Wilson directed that Lieutenant Robert W. Adams of Texas, attached to the infantry on the Mexican border be dropped from the army for absence without leave. Adams recently was arrested on a charge of embezzlement and court-martialed. He later disappeared and is now believed to be in Mexico.

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EXAMINING TRIAL HELD FOR BURGLARY

Clem Owens Had Examining Trial This Morning on Old Burglary Charge.

Clem Owens was up before Judge L. D. McGee in justice court this morning for an examining trial on charges of burglary.

Owens is a well-known negro about Bryan and has been in jail since last December. On the 11th of that month the residence of I. Jacobson was burglarized and a ring belonging to Mrs. Jacobson taken, besides a small pistol and a few other things. About the same time the store of John Sebesta was robbed of a suit of clothes, a grip and other articles. After working on the case a few days City Marshal Conlee and Deputy Worley suspected Owens of both crimes. Marshal Conlee instructed Mr. Worley to arrest Owens, which he did, and found him wearing a suit of clothes that suited the description of the one missing from the Sebesta store, and which Mr. Sebesta identified. Owens made an attempt to escape, but was locked up. Mr. Conlee went to Owens' home, where he found the pistol and other things belonging to Mr. and Mrs. Jacobson. Owens' wife having the ring on at the time. They were recovered and delivered to the owners.

After hearing the evidence this morning Judge McGee set the negro's bond at \$400, which he did not give and went back to jail. The grand jury will look into his case next week.

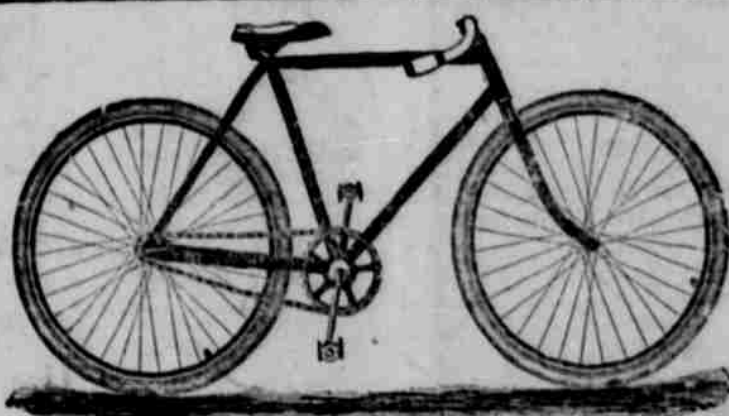
RUSSIAN GIRL IN FEAR RUNS AWAY

Chicago, Ill., March 4.—The eight months' flight to escape the terrors of war ended today when Stanislova Golba, a 16-year-old Russian girl, arrived here from Vilna, Russia, making the trip alone.

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